

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND MEMBERS: A Nursery and a Cry Room are located in the upper north pod if a need arises. Children's Activity Boards are provided in a bin next to the south Sanctuary doors. Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Devices are available – ask one of the ushers for assistance. Please sign the red Attendance Book found in the pew so we can have a record of your attendance with us. Those needing to sit instead of stand should feel free to do so at any time. If you would like to know more about Calvary or are interested in becoming a member, please talk to the pastor or call the church office.

PASTOR'S BEING CHRISTIAN CLASS has started. Sundays from 1:00 to 2:30 PM at Calvary, concluding May 5. One goal of the class is to provide instruction for those seeking membership at Calvary, but it is open to anyone who wants to learn more. Registration forms are on the Usher's Table in the Narthex.

LENT BEGINS THIS WED., FEB. 14, WITH ASH WEDNESDAY. The Lenten worship schedule is as follows:

Ash Wednesday Worship Service – 7 PM – February 14

Wednesday Worship Services – 7 PM – Feb. 21, 28 and March 6, 13, 20

Lenten Suppers will be held prior to all 5 Lenten services (*except Ash Wed*) at 6 PM. Confirmation students may get food at 5:45 to take to class.

CONFIRMATION CLASS WILL NOT BE HELD this coming Wednesday, February 14. Please attend the Ash Wednesday Worship Service. Classes will be held during the other Wednesday evenings in Lent.

FED TO FEED: During the month of February Calvary is collecting **boxed Macaroni and Cheese** to help supply the TNO Food Pantry. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table in the Narthex. Thank you!

YOUTH GROUP DONATIONS NEEDED – We are so excited that our youth group is growing! A bigger group means more hungry kids. The youth group could use shelf stable snacks and drinks such as those listed below, or funds to purchase. If you can help with this please contact Tamara Ockree or Wendy Humphrey.

Chips, Crackers, Cookies, Candy, Bottled Water, Sparkling Water, K-pod Hot Chocolate, K-pod Coffee, Coke, Root Beer.

NO PEANUTS PLEASE!

NEW PLEDGE CAMPAIGN – On January 21, a special congregational voters' meeting was held to decide whether to move forward with increasing our staffing. The overwhelming majority voted to seek the placement of a Deaconess Intern. With this vote, the Board of Stewardship and Finance has begun a pledge campaign called *Answering the Harvest Call*, fulfilling the requirement of the pledge drive beginning by February 1. Blue pledge cards are available for you to make your pledge. The Church Council would ask that each of you prayerfully consider making a pledge for the placement for a Deaconess Intern. Pledges will need to be made between now and March 24, 2024, Palm Sunday. If we do not receive pledges totaling \$20,000, we will not ask for a placement of the Deaconess Intern. All pledges need to be fulfilled by May 31, 2025. Offerings envelopes should be marked "Harvest Call." If you have questions, please contact the church office, any member of the Church Council, Pastor Ockree, or Bill Arnold

ITEMS NEEDED FOR CLLC: During the months of February we are asking for donations of Kleenex type tissues. It is cold season, and this is something that is used a great deal. There is a tub under the mailboxes for the CLLC donations.

CALVARY LUTHERAN LEARNING CENTER HAS THE FOLLOWING JOB OPENINGS:

- Lead Teacher;
- A qualified Director to work with infants through age 4, and a school age summer program. We are looking for a person with a minimum of 2 years' experience to lead a Christ-center, faith-based program where excellent care and spiritual support is provided for both children and families.

If interested in any of these positions or know someone who may be interested, please contact Janice Sellers at 785-554-6280 or by email at jsellers54@gmail.com.

To place announcements or prayer concerns in next Sunday's bulletin contact the church office by 9 AM on Thursdays. Prayer concerns printed in the bulletin do not replace prayer chain requests. To place a prayer chain request during evening and weekend hours please call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; during week days call the Church Office.